## Tennessee Department of Labor & Workforce Development

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## Quick Summary of Unemployment Rate: United States 8.5% State of Tennessee 8.9% City of Kingsport 8.0% Sullivan County 7.4% Hawkins County 7.7% Kingsport-Bristol, TN-VA MSA 7.6% Johnson City-Kingsport-Bristol, TN-VA CSA 7.7%

## Lowest County Unemployment Rates

		Oct. pre.			Oct. pre.
<u>Rank</u>	County	Rate (%)	<u>Rank</u>	County	Rate (%)
1	Lincoln Co.	5.8	95	Scott Co.	18.1
2	Williamson Co.	6.3	94	Obion Co.	15.6
3	Knox Co.	6.7	93	Fayette Co.	14.1
4	Blount Co.	7.1	92	Pickett Co.	13.7
5	Wilson Co.	7.3	91	Weakley Co.	13.4
6	Sullivan Co.	7.4	90	Lauderdale Co.	13.3
7	Washington Co.	7.4	89	Marshall Co.	13.2
8	Sumner Co.	7.5	88	Dyer Co.	12.9
9	Rutherford Co.	7.6	87	Gibson Co.	12.8
10	Hawkins Co.	7.7	86	Haywood Co.	12.7

Highest County Unemployment Rates

CITY OF KINGSPORT	2006	2010	2011	Change (between 2006 and latest available data)	Change 2010-2011
Unemployment Rate	5.3%	8.0%	8.0%	2.7%	0.0%
Construction Value***	\$88,560,394	\$68,017,382	n/a	-23.2%	
Population**	44,758	48,205	50,851	7.7%	5.5%
Labor Force	18,950	19,430	19,690	3.9%	1.3%
Employed	17,950	17,870	18,120	0.9%	1.4%
Unemployed	1,010	1,560	1,580	56.4%	1.3%

Unemployment (sorted low to high)	2006	2010	2011	Change 2006-2011	Change 2010-2011	
Maryville, City of	5.6%	7.6%	7.1%	1.5%	-0.5%	
Washington County	3.6%	7.8%	7.4%	3.8%	-0.4%	
Sullivan County	3.7%	7.6%	7.4%	3.7%	-0.2%	
Kingsport-Bristol MSA	4.1%	8.1%	7.6%	3.5%	-0.5%	
Johnson City, City of	3.6%	8.0%	7.6%	4.0%	-0.4%	
Hawkins County	5.1%	8.4%	7.7%	2.6%	-0.7%	
Tri-Cities CSA	3.9%	8.2%	7.7%	3.8%	-0.5%	
Oak Ridge, City of	3.8%	7.4%	7.7%	3.9%	0.3%	
Johnson City MSA	3.7%	8.3%	7.8%	4.1%	-0.5%	
Carter County	3.7%	9.2%	8.4%	4.7%	-0.8%	
U.S. unemployment	4.1%	9.0%	8.5%	4.4%	-0.5%	
Tennessee, State of	4.3%	9.1%	8.9%	4.6%	-0.2%	
Bristol (TN), City of	3.4%	7.6%	9.2%	5.8%	1.6%	
Cleveland, City of	5.7%	8.9%	9.3%	3.6%	0.4%	
Greene County	5.6%	11.6%	11.1%	5.5%	-0.5%	
Morristown, City of	6.6%	11.1%	11.4%	4.8%	0.3%	
Green = Positive Yellow = Cautiously Optimistic Red = Negative						

<sup>\*\*</sup>Available in July of following year, estimated for current year

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>As reported on Building Permits